

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for delivering messages in a network comprising at least one terminal device, comprising:

generating a message;

setting a condition for receiving said message;

deciding whether said message is to be received by a terminal device based on said condition; ~~and~~

transmitting said message to said terminal device based on deciding whether the message is to be received;

deciding whether an originator of said message is permitted to receive a delivery report; and

transmitting said delivery report to the originator of said message only when said originator of said message is permitted to receive the delivery report;

wherein a list of originators of messages which are permitted to receive delivery reports is stored in a database.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said setting step is performed by a terminal device.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said condition is a location of said terminal device.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

including information regarding said condition in an optional field of said message.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

determining whether said terminal device is inactive or busy when said condition is not met.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6 1, further comprising:
defining a group of users which are allowed to receive delivery reports;
wherein whether the originator of said received message is a member of
said group of users is determined during said deciding step.
9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, further comprising:
adding a group identifier identifying said group of users to said message.
10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said message is a multimedia
message.
11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said network is a mobile
network and said terminal device is a mobile terminal device.
12. (Currently Amended) A network system for delivering messages in a network,
comprising:
a terminal device comprising a judging means configured to determine
whether a delivery report is to be transmitted in response to receiving said
message, a transmitting means configured to transmit said delivery report when
said judging means determines that said delivery report is to be transmitted, and a
database having a stored list of originators of messages is stored, which are
permitted to receive delivery reports, and which is accessed by said judging
means; and
a message delivering device comprising a deciding means configured to
decide whether a message is to be received by said terminal device based on a
condition for receiving said message, and a transmitting means configured to
transmit said message to said terminal device based on said deciding means
determining whether the message is to be received.
13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, further comprising:
a setting means configured to set a condition for receiving a message by
said terminal device.

15. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said condition is a location of
said terminal device.

16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said message comprises an
optional field in which information regarding said condition is included.

17. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said message delivering
device further comprises a determining means configured to determine whether said terminal
device is not reachable when said deciding means decides that said condition is unmet.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~17~~ 12, wherein a group of users permitted
to receive delivery reports are defined, and said judging means configured to detect whether an
originator of said received message is a member of said group of users.

21. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~19~~ 20, wherein a group identifier
identifying said group of users is added to said message.

22. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said message is a multimedia
message.

23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said network is a mobile
network and said terminal device is a mobile terminal device.

24-34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently Amended) A terminal device for receiving a message for which a condition for receiving said message is set for use in network, comprising:

a receiving means configured to receive said message;

a judging means configured to determine whether a delivery report is to be transmitted in response to receiving said message; ~~and~~

a transmitting means configured to transmit said delivery report when said judging means determines that said delivery report is to be transmitted; and

a database having a stored list of originators of messages, which are permitted to receive delivery reports, and which is accessed by said judging means.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Currently Amended) The terminal device of claim 36 35, wherein said condition is a location of said terminal device.

38. (Currently Amended) The terminal device of claim 36 35, wherein said message is a multimedia message.

39. (Currently Amended) The terminal device of claim 36 35, wherein said network is a mobile network and said terminal device is a mobile terminal device.